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Our Case Docket No.: SMTT 320

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Patrick Dana Simpson et al.

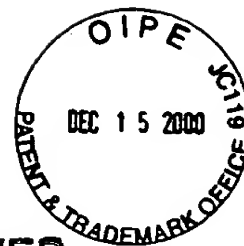
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Transmitted herewith is a SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT for filing in the above identified application:

X No additional fee is required.

Claims as Amended, SMALL ENTITY

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	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest number previously paid for	Present extra	Rate	Additional fee
Total Claims	11	Minus	20	0	\$ 9.00	= \$ 0.00
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	0	\$ 40.00	= \$ 0.00
This additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0.00

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**SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Preliminary to the review of the above identified application, please enter the following amendments.

In the Detailed Description:

On page 7, line 24, please replace "readwardly" with --rearwardly--.

On page 20, line 16, please replace "to" with --top--.

In the Claims:

Please add new claim 11, as follows.

--11. An apparatus for mounting a movable frame on a stationary frame comprising:

- a) an elevatable support member mounted on said stationary frame, said elevatable support member having a first end portion and a second end portion, said second end portion of said elevatable support member being mounted